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in All Positions

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STOCKS OF GRAINS JANUARY 1, 1955, WITH COMPARISONS

The Crop Reporting Board of the Agricultural Marketing Service has assembled from various sources the following information on stocks of grain in all positions:

Grain	Position	Jan. 1 1953	Jan. 1 1954	Oct. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1955
Thousand bushels					
Wheat	(On Farms 1/	401,110	423,068	429,474	315,689
	(Terminals 2/	259,257	316,765	422,772	374,369
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	4,655	44,674	126,228	131,366
	(Merchant Mills 1/ 4/	128,199	123,467	158,981	145,122
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	312,694	424,292	539,152	493,700
	TOTAL	1,105,915	1,332,266	1,676,607	1,460,246
Rye	(On Farms 1/	3,649	6,662	14,583	8,896
	(Terminals 2/	2,892	11,028	12,047	10,940
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	---	---	1,619	1,714
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	2,686	3,851	4,319	3,806
	TOTAL	9,227	21,541	32,568	25,356
Corn	(On Farms 1/	2,154,757	2,144,305	259,346	2,070,187
	(Terminals 2/	62,039	43,106	18,052	60,218
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	243,717	394,050	467,857	515,887
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	97,948	100,591	74,437	152,516
	TOTAL	2,558,461	2,682,062	919,672	2,798,808
Oats	(On Farms 1/	786,560	773,516	1,182,323	922,637
	(Terminals 2/	25,041	18,295	26,377	20,055
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	171	260	9,323	12,741
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	47,614	44,471	78,555	60,874
	TOTAL	859,386	836,542	1,296,578	1,016,307
Barley	(On Farms 1/	98,680	108,490	226,695	165,805
	(Terminals 2/	13,415	12,659	23,495	27,517
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	513	28	3,732	6,057
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	51,645	56,848	101,892	84,186
	TOTAL	164,253	178,025	355,814	283,555
Sorghum Grain	(On Farms 1/	23,803	36,281	3,179	51,789
	(Terminals 2/	4,788	8,141	5,233	40,643
	(Commodity Credit Corp. 3/	705	9	2,261	1,303
	(Int. Mills, Elev. & Whses. 1/5/	24,789	34,765	11,348	95,278
	TOTAL	54,085	79,196	22,021	189,013

1/ Estimates of the Crop Reporting Board

2/ Commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at 44 Terminal cities.

3/ Owned by CCC and stored in bins, ships, or other storages owned or controlled by CCC, also CCC-owned grain in transit to ports; other CCC-owned grain is included in the estimates by positions.

4/ Mills reporting to the Bureau of the Census, on millings and stocks of flour.

5/ All off-farm storages not otherwise designated for each grain.

RECORD TONNAGE OF GRAINS IN STORAGE

Largest January 1 stocks of corn, wheat and barley, second-largest for oats and sorghum grain, and for rye the largest stocks in 10 years, are reported in all storage positions on January 1, 1955. These add up to records on this date for the tonnage of feed grains, for reserves of food grains and by a large margin for the total of the 6 grains in storage--over 151 million tons. These data were assembled by the Crop Reporting Board, bringing together commercial stocks at terminals, as reported by the Grain Division of the Agricultural Marketing Service; grains reported by Commodity Credit Corporation as owned and stored in their own bins, aboard ships, and in other storages under control of CCC and in transit to ports; also estimates of the Crop Reporting Board for stocks on farms, at merchant mills and at interior mills, elevators and warehouses.

Corn stocks of 2.8 billion bushels in all storage positions on January 1 are the largest of record, topping by about 4 percent those of a year earlier and the previous record on January 1, 1950. Farm stocks of 2,070 million bushels are only a little above average for the date. But the off-farm portion is much larger than in any previous year, chiefly because of the 516 million bushels owned and stored in their own storages by Commodity Credit Corporation. The 60 million bushels of commercial stocks at terminals has been exceeded only 3 times in the 29 years of record. Nearly 153 million bushels at interior mills, elevators and warehouses are by far the largest holdings of corn ever stored in that position, over 50 percent more than in each of the last two years. From the October 1, 1954 supply of 3,572 million bushels of grain corn, disappearance is indicated at only 773 million bushels. This is considerably less than in any October-December quarter in the other 11 years of record, when disappearance ranged from 857 to 1,076 million bushels. It is offset somewhat by relatively heavy disappearance of other feed grain.

Stocks of 1,460 million bushels of wheat stored in all positions on January 1, 1955 are the largest for that date in the comparable series beginning in 1935. This total is nearly a tenth larger than a year earlier, the previous record holdings for January 1. Current stocks are less than October 1, 1954 stocks by 216 million bushels or 13 percent.

Off-farm stocks of 1,145 million bushels, one-fourth larger than a year earlier, are a record total for the date, with holdings in each of the off-farm positions at a record level. Of this total, about five-sixths was either owned by the Commodity Credit Corporation or was warehouse-stored wheat under Government commodity loans. Stocks of wheat on farms, at 316 million bushels, were the smallest January 1 farm stocks since 1941. About three-eighths of the total wheat on farms was under Government commodity loans.

The off-farm total includes 145 million bushels at merchant mills, 494 million bushels in interior mills, elevators and warehouses and 374 million bushels commercial stocks at terminals, each about one-sixth

larger than a year earlier. The Commodity Credit Corporation had 131 million bushels of wheat, a record total, stored in bins under CCC control, aboard ships in the "Mothball" fleet, and in transit to ports. Other Government owned wheat is included in the estimate for the position where stored.

The 25.4 million bushels of rye stored in all positions on January 1, 1955 is the most for the date in 10 years and exceeds the relatively large stocks held on January 1 a year earlier by 18 percent. Of this total, nearly 9 million bushels or 35 percent is stored on farms. Approximately two-fifths of the farm stored rye is under Government commodity loans. Stocks of rye in bins under Commodity Credit Corporation's control on January 1 totaled 1.7 million bushels. Rye held in all other off-farm storage totaled 14.7 million bushels, which compares with 14.9 million held in similar positions on January 1, 1954.

Oats stocks of 1,016 million bushels on January 1, 1955 were over a fifth larger than a year ago and were exceeded on January 1 only in 1946. Farm stocks of 923 million bushels also were exceeded on this date only in 1946. The record large off-farm stocks of about 94 million bushels consisted of record large holdings in interior mills, elevators and warehouses and in CCC bins, while about the usual holdings were reported at terminals. Disappearance of oats since October 1, amounting to about 280 million bushels, was somewhat more than usual.

Barley stocks of nearly 284 million bushels in all positions were the largest of record and were 59 percent larger than holdings on this date a year ago. Stocks of 166 million bushels on farms were the largest since 1943, while record large holdings were reported at interior mills, elevators and warehouses, and in CCC bins. Stocks at terminal points were the largest since 1951. Disappearance of 72 million bushels in the October-December quarter was much larger than usual.

For sorghum grains, stocks of 189 million bushels in all positions were nearly $2\frac{1}{2}$ times as large as a year ago and were exceeded only on January 1, 1951. Record large holdings of 40.6 million bushels were reported at terminals, while the 1.3 million bushels stored in CCC bins was largest since 1951. Farm stocks of 51.8 million bushels were slightly below average, but the 95.3 million bushels at interior mills, elevators, and warehouses were exceeded only by 1951.

STOCKS OF GRAIN JANUARY 1, 1955

		Wheat							
		In interior mills, elevators, & warehouses January 1		Merchant Mills January 1		Off-farm total 1/ January 1		Total 2/ all positions January 1	
		1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
Thousand bushels									
N.Eng.	*	116	*	*	289	1,556	289	1,556	
N.Y.	*	*	10,785	9,932	54,681	64,223	61,628	68,954	
N.J.	151	165	*	*	764	1,910	1,270	2,364	
Pa.	1,661	1,622	1,210	1,430	4,381	5,850	11,001	11,393	
Ohio	9,281	9,666	*	*	22,144	21,902	43,576	38,395	
Ind.	3,599	2,534	3,275	3,583	9,288	9,882	22,208	21,001	
Ill.	5,702	11,153	5,499	5,750	28,478	35,527	41,083	47,206	
Mich.	6,622	4,938	2,535	2,651	9,506	9,143	35,874	22,943	
Wis.	1,726	1,813	*	*	27,343	25,880	28,315	26,797	
Minn.	4,636	5,858	8,955	9,238	58,257	63,847	68,283	70,235	
Iowa	1,999	1,500	1,909	*	11,758	11,891	12,372	12,404	
Mo.	1,431	17,417	10,290	11,488	36,573	55,998	43,958	64,422	
N.Dak.	27,752	25,500	2,833	2,758	30,760	37,752	96,927	87,378	
S.Dak.	7,965	7,923	193	153	11,330	18,925	34,209	36,750	
Nebr.	26,985	35,385	3,265	3,718	44,653	60,837	84,204	85,486	
Kans.	87,668	117,134	22,061	24,103	180,085	238,170	229,270	289,270	
Del.	76	56	17	15	93	75	192	133	
Md.	117	83	544	577	5,311	5,876	5,890	6,423	
Va.	803	975	802	891	13,178	26,359	14,907	28,093	
W.Va.	13	28	40	43	53	71	573	647	
N.C.	470	677	711	863	1,181	1,540	3,884	3,845	
S.C.	563	656	149	210	759	940	1,341	1,310	
Ga.	470	501	127	116	597	617	1,189	1,156	
Ky.	932	1,066	1,700	1,930	4,039	4,940	5,191	6,097	
Tenn.	1,438	1,316	829	708	3,152	2,355	4,311	2,988	
Ala.	*	169	*	*	867	1,479	927	1,527	
Miss.	153	*	21	*	174	59	377	255	
Ark.	*	729	*	1	1,234	730	1,463	1,058	
La.	3	7	---	---	1,128	1,695	1,128	1,695	
Okla.	33,811	47,592	5,853	5,385	78,771	101,464	85,849	107,249	
Texas	63,217	60,968	14,518	*	104,063	116,454	104,984	117,999	
Mont.	14,343	13,080	2,056	2,743	16,399	15,898	76,994	54,176	
Idaho	16,885	15,330	1,562	1,487	18,447	16,817	31,520	24,592	
Wyo.	*	*	*	*	966	886	4,241	2,046	
Colo.	15,919	18,188	2,729	2,632	21,714	25,387	38,825	32,152	
N.Mex.	2,899	2,705	743	691	3,642	3,396	3,746	3,486	
Ariz.	46	38	109	126	155	164	245	252	
Utah	965	842	2,315	2,195	5,116	4,511	9,202	6,805	
Nev.	155	454	---	---	155	454	342	584	
Wash.	55,601	56,618	4,057	4,172	69,017	89,913	81,639	100,055	
Oreg.	18,100	17,300	2,309	2,362	25,469	53,109	33,015	58,864	
Calif.	1,101	1,130	1,354	1,386	3,163	3,147	5,759	5,277	
Unallo-									
cated *	9,034	10,468	8,112	41,781	65	2,928	65	2,928	
U.S.	424,292	493,700	123,467	145,122	909,190	1,114,557	1,332,266	1,468,246	

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes, in addition to stocks in Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses and Merchant Mills, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins, ships and other storages under CCC control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS JANUARY 1, 1955 - Continued

Rye				Shelled and ear corn			
Off-farm	Total	2/		Off-farm	Total	2/	
State	total	1/	all positions	total	1/	all positions	
January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1	January 1
1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s							
N. Eng.	*	*	*	*	441	601	943
N.Y.	*	963	*	1,014	7,894	10,886	15,419
N.J.	1	5	28	47	434	565	6,949
Pa.	19	362	67	425	3,130	4,331	39,191
Ohio	8	47	99	412	13,558	22,922	142,841
Ind.	29	40	85	564	15,963	36,539	189,821
Ill.	3,454	7,834	9,526	8,265	104,214	158,723	465,812
Mich.	31	90	244	426	2,061	8,466	58,567
Wis.	234	755	472	977	5,303	9,936	74,478
Minn.	1,987	1,520	2,625	2,080	44,206	70,342	228,993
Iowa	17	4	42	36	188,914	229,571	658,760
Mo.	134	192	215	314	15,396	22,269	97,886
N. Dak.	1,216	2,049	3,316	4,684	748	1,477	6,638
S. Dak.	545	1,593	2,211	3,241	33,060	39,401	126,739
Nebr.	76	123	590	789	75,102	77,199	232,217
Kans.	26	49	87	247	6,900	8,621	32,268
Del.	6	8	19	32	823	1,435	5,606
Md.	12	62	43	92	3,797	3,781	14,887
Va.	14	12	50	65	583	1,237	13,138
W. Va.	*	*	*	*	84	144	4,309
N. C.	2	3	25	38	1,955	2,871	36,072
S. C.	*	*	*	*	366	357	15,599
Ga.	2	1	19	11	780	1,355	28,994
Fla.	---	---	---	---	---	---	3,080
Ky.	132	143	160	203	2,439	3,174	50,722
Tenn.	11	11	46	29	1,874	3,334	34,856
Ala.	1	1	1	1	838	789	27,262
Miss.	2	1	2	1	211	114	21,853
Ark.	1	*	1	*	94	94	6,207
La.	---	249	---	249	1,630	807	8,150
Okla.	*	15	*	236	512	280	3,169
Texas	21	65	84	154	1,333	1,795	18,074
Mont.	3	2	63	63	32	34	236
Idaho	4	9	20	30	33	30	1,099
Wyo.	2	2	26	39	57	49	170
Colo.	2	19	57	121	942	1,732	5,990
N. Mex.	1	*	5	*	26	18	302
Ariz.	*	*	*	*	30	9	314
Utah	*	*	*	29	241	234	364
Nev.	*	*	*	*	5	3	5
Wash.	13	159	56	230	325	242	634
Oreg.	28	51	156	134	183	115	542
Calif.	39	13	63	39	1,240	1,178	1,906
Unallo-							
cated*	806	8	1,038	39	---	1,561	---
U.S.	14,879	16,460	21,541	25,356	537,757	728,621	2,682,062
							2,798,808

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS JANUARY 1, 1955 - Continued

State	Oats				Barley			
	Off-farm	Total	27		Off-farm	Total	27	
	total 1/	all positions			total 1/	all positions		
	January 1	January 1			January 1	January 1		
	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955	1954	1955
	T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s							
N. Eng.	535	570	4,209	3,257	114	85	177	150
N.Y.	5,848	4,293	23,878	21,770	2,221	3,964	3,315	5,244
N.J.	226	244	1,099	1,275	128	298	467	634
Pa.	1,359	742	19,156	21,791	187	236	2,968	4,372
Ohio	2,440	2,898	33,736	36,908	*	*	*	*
Ind.	1,463	2,173	29,796	37,549	48	72	293	688
Ill.	7,983	5,392	78,176	87,860	3,383	*	3,679	*
Mich.	882	1,197	35,060	39,490	183	*	1,554	*
Wis.	2,494	3,425	89,504	91,287	15,452	15,600	17,160	17,136
Minn.	9,482	18,241	121,200	139,970	13,626	16,939	28,416	33,769
Iowa	6,851	9,566	106,833	164,258	*	*	*	*
Mo.	1,070	1,590	21,216	36,299	*	799	*	2,759
N.Dak.	2,849	7,623	48,306	50,162	5,177	8,448	34,181	49,664
S.Dak.	2,976	9,807	75,547	92,861	499	2,226	6,664	9,036
Nebr.	1,370	2,056	28,969	47,794	137	231	2,024	3,111
Kans.	569	774	13,812	20,343	48	290	628	4,040
Del.	42	48	151	158	10	3	120	136
Md.	180	198	1,134	1,490	174	105	1,316	1,771
Va.	164	200	2,243	3,452	48	57	1,340	1,489
W.Va.	23	21	775	1,407	9	9	153	272
N.C.	481	574	6,262	8,121	86	109	614	749
S.C.	385	742	6,587	8,611	25	8	175	123
Ga.	2,477	3,187	10,088	8,920	9	24	77	56
Fla.	---	---	120	108	---	---	---	---
Ky.	120	107	1,863	2,212	17	31	637	885
Tenn.	835	637	3,408	2,953	*	89	*	357
Ala.	270	446	1,892	1,838	1	*	1	*
Miss.	930	1,017	3,066	5,458	3	*	3	*
Ark.	225	754	3,005	4,966	16	*	58	*
La.	68	666	788	1,340	4	22	4	22
Okla.	279	677	6,189	10,061	44	229	177	1,802
Texas	2,366	3,777	20,766	19,078	174	440	700	1,067
Mont.	177	306	10,284	10,899	766	3,214	13,240	28,880
Idaho	1,296	2,659	6,168	8,573	2,917	4,177	7,218	12,279
Wyo.	77	50	3,932	2,901	144	66	2,310	2,510
Colo.	346	438	3,894	3,040	1,574	1,484	6,961	5,836
N.Mex.	22	62	127	240	12	8	168	218
Ariz.	68	48	243	196	1,413	3,818	2,189	7,023
Utah	112	175	1,435	1,502	780	1,572	4,225	5,771
Nev.	37	20	261	205	35	50	405	367
Wash.	1,107	2,148	4,317	5,887	2,618	17,308	3,988	22,233
Oreg.	1,404	2,969	5,421	8,100	3,489	9,340	6,162	13,704
Calif.	1,138	1,153	1,626	1,717	12,259	22,771	21,258	38,149
Unallo-								
cated*	---	---	---	---	1,705	3,638	3,000	7,269
U.S.	63,026	93,670	836,542	1,016,307	69,535	117,760	178,025	283,565

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

1/Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under C.C.C. control.

2/Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

STOCKS OF GRAINS JANUARY 1, 1955 - Continued

State	Sorghum Grain			
	Off-farm		Total ^{2/} all	
	total ^{1/}		positions	
	January 1		January 1	
	1954	1955	1954	1955
	T h o u s a n d b u s h e l s			
N.Y.	4	10	4	10
Pa.	9	10	9	10
Ohio	*	7	*	7
Ind.	11	8	45	68
Iowa	33	*	33	*
Mo.	954	5,030	1,204	5,558
S.Dak.	12	141	432	569
Nebr.	243	3,325	2,456	10,033
Kans.	7,009	25,852	24,474	45,218
Del.	*	2	*	2
Md.	3	9	3	9
N.C.	151	156	1,001	1,424
S.C.	2	*	56	*
Ky.	3	2	3	2
Tenn.	13	45	13	45
Ala.	82	*	266	*
Miss.	6	2	6	2
Ark.	*	29	*	116
La.	8	*	18	*
Okla.	1,997	3,350	5,292	4,885
Texas	29,002	89,783	38,938	106,217
Wyo.	*	7	*	7
Colo.	583	1,079	923	2,162
N.Mex.	750	1,923	1,163	2,774
Ariz.	557	4,119	934	6,853
Utah	*	199	*	199
Nev.	*	200	*	200
Wash.	*	12	*	12
Oreg.	5	*	5	*
Calif.	1,199	1,620	1,547	2,193
Other States & unallocated*	279	304	371	438
U. S.	42,915	137,224	79,196	189,013

*Unallocated - to avoid disclosing individual operations.

^{1/}Includes stocks at Interior Mills, Elevators and Warehouses, commercial stocks reported by Grain Division, AMS, at terminals, and those owned by Commodity Credit Corporation which are in transit to ports, in bins and other storages under CCC control.

^{2/}Off-farm total plus farm stocks.

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